

MEETING MINUTES
NORTHWEST PORT CHARLOTTE WATERWAY ADVISORY COMMITTEE
July 23, 2014 – Regular Meeting
3:00 p.m. - Building Construction Services Conference Room

Attendees: Mark Fitzpatrick, Paul Elliott, and Ron Larrivee

Absent: Joseph Fabini (excused) and Robert Olson Jr. (excused)

County: Judith Nothdurft and Sandy Wright

Guests: Sign-in sheet attached

Meeting called to order at 3:02 p.m. A roll call was taken that established a quorum is present.

The minutes from the May 21, 2014 were unanimously approved as written.

Citizen Input:

- None

Unfinished Business:

- Exterior Channel Dredging Project – Mr. Logan stated the project is complete. The as-built dredging survey was emailed and passed out to the members. Mr. Logan explained the cross sections of the survey and how the actual cubic yards of removed material are recorded and calculated. A final walk through of the project will take place after Coastal Engineering certifies the spoil area has been properly cleaned up.
- New Channel Markers – The contractor was supposed to start mobilizing last Friday by bringing two barges on site. The channel marking is anticipated to take approximately two weeks; the weather may cause delays. Mr. Ouimet was not able to get a status update from the contractor prior to this meeting. The marking contractor is being funded through the Marine Advisory Committee (MAC). Mr. Logan will forward the contractor information and status report to Ms. Nothdurft to pass on to the members. The Committee stated that navigation is difficult without the PVC channel markers. Mr. Logan stated the channel is supposed to be 25ft wide and at times when a new channel is dredged; shoaling will begin. He is hoping that only spot maintenance dredges will be required for the next 5 years.
- Jupiter & Apollo Minimum Wake Sign - A new minimum wake sign and post will be installed at the intersection of Apollo and Jupiter when the channel marking is done.

New Business:

- Financial Reports – The 9 Month Actual and Activity Reports were distributed for review and discussion. Ms. Nothdurft explained the reports. Ms. Nothdurft will follow up on the repayment due liability line item and report back.
- There was discussion regarding the Unit's ordinance and if brush cutting would fall under the purview of the Committee. Ms. Nothdurft will follow up.

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Member Open discussion:

- There was discussion regarding the PVC markers not being in place. There are 4" X 4" posts located in the channel between the Cheshire and Venus Waterways thought to be for supporting the PVC pipes that should be addressed. Ms. Nothdurft will report.
- There was discussion regarding the crab traps in the channels. Ms. Nothdurft will get contact information for Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission for members to report the crab traps.

The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, September 3, 2014 at 3:00 p.m.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:40 p.m.

Submitted by:



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